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THE INDIAN MAIL.

The steamer *Japan*, with the next India mail, left Singapore on the 9th, and is due on the 14th instant.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. steamer *City of Peking*, with American mail of the 21st ultimo, left Yokohama on the 13th, and may be expected here or about the 19th instant.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The O. B. S. Co.'s steamer *Palladium* left Singapore on the 10th, and is due here on or about the 17th instant.

The C. S. M. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Kaitow* left Singapore on the 13th, and is due here on the 19th instant.

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corrected to a much later hour than that given below.

A MAIL WILL CARRY.

- For Amoy and Shanghai.-*Per Achille*, to-day, the 14th inst, at 11.30 a.m.

- For Yokohama and Kobe.-*Per Kio*, to-day, the 14th inst, at 11.30 a.m.

- For Hongkong and Shanghai.-*Per Nippon*, to-day, the 14th inst, at 11.30 a.m.

- For Shanghai.-*Per Nippon*, to-day, the 14th inst, at 3.30 p.m.

- For Singapore and New York.-*Per J. A. Ashurst*, to-day, the 14th inst, at 3.30 p.m.

- For Straits and Bombay.-*Per Born* to-morrow, the 15th inst, at 11.30 a.m.

- For Amoy and Manila.-*Per Zafiro*, to-morrow, the 15th inst, at 3.30 p.m.

- For Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide.-*Nikla*, to-morrow, the 15th inst, at 3.30 p.m.

- For Saigon.-*Per Orussien*, on Monday, 17th inst, at 4.30 p.m.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKETS.

The French Packet *Paquet Sagittaire* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 15th October with mail.

and places beyond, viz: *haverhill*; to Saig Straits Settlements, Batavia, Barmah, Egalt, India (via Madras), the Australasian Colonies, Mauritius, the Cape, Egypt, Malta, Gibraltar, and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

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The following hours are observed in close the Mails, &c., by the Contract Packet—

MAILS.—Money Order Office closes—

2.00 P.M.—Registry of Letters ceases.—Post-office of all printed matter and pattern ceases.

3.00 P.M.—Mails closed, except for Late Letters.

3.10 P.M.—Letters may be posted with late of 10 cents until

3.40 P.M.—when the Post Office closes entire day of departure.
8.40 P.M.—Late Letters may be posted on board the packet, Late Fee of 10 cents, in addition to postage of departure.

THE FRENCH MAILS.

Day before departure.

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes, except the night box which is always open out of office hours.

Day of departure.

7 A.M., Post Office opens.

10 A.M., Registry of Letters closes.

10.30 A.M., Posting of all printed matter & patterns ceases.

11 A.M., Mail closes, except for Late Letters.

11.10 A.M., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 10 cents until

11.30 A.M., when the Post Office closes entire day of departure.

11.40 A.M., Late Letters may be posted on board the packet, Late Fee of 10 cents on addition to postage of departure.

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8.30	8.30	8.30	8.30
9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
10.30	12.30 P.M.	10.30	12.30 P.M.
12.45	1.00	12.45	1.00
1.30	1.30	1.30	1.30
2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
3.30	4.00	3.30	4.00
4.00	4.30	4.00	4.30
5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00

4.50	1.10	4.50	6.10
5.25	1.40	4.25	6.40
5.50	1.15	4.50	6.15
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7.15		6.15	

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EXTRACTS.

CENTRAL AUSTRALIAN ABORIGINES.

In his record of a recent expedition to the Central Australia, Mr. David Lindsay gave some interesting accounts of the aboriginals he met with. He said: "During our trip the aborigines had given us no trouble—indeed, they seemed to be but few in the country; we having seen only about 100, although our camp in all the creeks were very numerous. Men and women seemed to be both about equal proportions, and a fair number of children were seen. No drawings on the rock were found, although they are known to be in many places. The natives over this country seem to be divided into about six tribes, speaking different dialects, though their manners, customs, and superstitions appear the same. The Western tribe, which included the Oodjibabes, is a member, whose country lies between Tennant's Creek and Powell's Creek, and a considerable distance east and west of the line, seems to have ten families or divisions, regulating the internal relations. One man is chief of the tribe, at whose death the position devolves on the oldest son, who is not of age, when the deceased chief's brother acts as regent. The Umoia tribe, about Crosswell Creek, has twelve divisions, the Bing Bings tribe, on the McArthur River, has the same; and the names of these divisions are the same. The tableland and coastal natives are fine, well built fellows, many of them over six feet in height. The tableland natives have as far as the settlers can trouble; but the coastal natives are blond, thin, and treacherous, and much given to killing the horses and cattle.

In Arnhem's land the natives are very numerous and hostile. We suffered considerably from their aggressions, as at one place they speared four horses, and at another they drove the horses away for many miles, and a force of about 300 armed men attacked us. Fortunately, we drove them off without any injury to ourselves. The natives on the South Alligator River submit entirely upon natural products, and wander from place to place at certain periods of the year after particular kinds of food in its proper season. Portions of the country are reserved for two or three years to allow the game and reptiles to increase. Then about August a tribe will visit the spot, and, by setting fire to the grass in patches, will find abundance of food. On occasions of this sort I have frequently met a blackfellow with over a dozen snakes round his neck. Their only shelter or protection from the heavy rain is composed of a few sheets of bark laid upon a low framework of bamboo or some simple jungle plant. Sometimes a barkwind to keep off the cold south-east wind constructed of boughs and bushes. I once met with a solitary miasma formed of bamboo thickly thatched with grass, high, thick, and dim, and with a great entrance, which I had that I had the greatest difficulty in squeezing through it. This was on a low mound in swampy country, and the natives told me that when occupied the entrance was stopped up with grass to keep out the mosquitoes. It was only used at the beginning of the wet season, when the natives were gathering wild food, and as a stopping place on the route from one river to another during the wet season.

They have no clothing whatever, but a small piece of bark about the size of a man's hand, attached to a belt, sometimes worn by the young women, and a pendant of twisted fibre worn by the young men. Their ornaments are armlets, bracelets, necklaces, and forehead bands made of grass, and decorated with feathers and kangaroo and alligator teeth, beads of bark and women's hair, bunches of cockatoo feathers on the head. They paint themselves with various coloured clay, have some interesting ceremonies, and are very superstitious. The natives are placed upon a framework of saplings, or up in the branches of a tree, where they are left until the flesh has all disappeared, when the bones are removed and buried in small circular mounds in some retired spot not far from water, or wrapped in folds of paper bark and deposited in clefts of rock high up in the face of a cliff, or in the hollows of a tree, or in the arms of an elderly man, who sits in a chair, and his wife, and bury them alongside the framework on which his body is placed. Around the woman's grave are placed the implements of the chase; so that she may, in the spirit world, be ready to provide food for her lord when he should call upon her to do so. Polygamy is practised; and an interesting custom, though in the old days, is that of the young women and the young men have the old women. This is a wise arrangement, as the old of both sexes have young partners to provide them with food. They are tall, straight, and well formed, straight hair, and scanty whiskers. I have measured some over six feet high. The women are, when young, quite well formed, and have a good looking face, with regular features, large eyes, and always good teeth. A strong sense of the humorous is often shown in their witty replies and comical sayings. They are cowardly and treacherous, but can be divided to a great extent, as is proved by the Port Essington tribe, among which to this day there are traces of the hatefulness of the English soldiers in 1838-39. Some of the tribes practice circumcision.

A curious legend is told on the north coast, somewhat as follows: "The natives say that at one time the country extended far away toward the Equator, connecting with land of the Malay; that a great fire gained possession of the whole country, and then the water came upon the land, putting out the fire, cutting off and washing away a great deal of land. The fire is said to be still burning; two or three men are told off to keep it alive, as should it by any neglect become extinguished great evil would result. On inquiring along the coast I was always told that this small fire was kept alive by the next tribe. The oldest man I met, a great red and wrinkled old fellow, said that the tribes have suffered from small-pox, introduced, they say, by the Malay, who for hundreds of years have frequented our coast for trepanning and pearls. Rude drawings of animals, human beings, and weapons are to be found on the cliffs and in caves. The transition is important, and very interesting. Wonderful. Then we saw the murder of a white man was conveyed over 200 miles in less than twenty-four hours. Their weapons are the spear and the tomahawk and the club, they do not use the boomerang. They manufacture very good rope and string out of fibre plants. Bark is woven so closely as to be watertight. Their canoes are of bark.

in a striped jacket who sat with his feet tucked against a pillar beside him. I registered. I had changed to be only arrival by this particular train. And my back was sorely turned upon the office desk that the troops were some fifteen or twenty in number, were seated on the floor, and I had to sign, pushing and scrambling to obtain a first view of the latest news inscribed thereon. Regardless of the fact that I stood gazing over the letter, that I had found awaiting me, their comments were obligingly faint and perfectly. "Hello, Jessie, he's a foreigner," "O, yes, he is," "Now, now, now, equal proportions, and a fair number of children were seen. No drawings on the rock were found, although they are known to be in many places. The natives over this country seem to be divided into about six tribes, speaking different dialects, though their manners, customs, and superstitions appear the same. The Western tribe, which included the Oodjibabes, is a member, whose country lies between Tennant's Creek and Powell's Creek, and a considerable distance east and west of the line, seems to have ten families or divisions, regulating the internal relations. One man is chief of the tribe, at whose death the position devolves on the oldest son, who is not of age, when the deceased chief's brother acts as regent. The Umoia tribe, about Crosswell Creek, has twelve divisions, the Bing Bings tribe, on the McArthur River, has the same; and the names of these divisions are the same. The tableland and coastal natives are fine, well built fellows, many of them over six feet in height. The tableland natives have as far as the settlers can trouble; but the coastal natives are blond, thin, and treacherous, and much given to killing the horses and cattle.

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